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THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Sir, it is considered desirable that every rural co-operative credit society should undertake multi-purpose activities. So they are being converted into multi-purpose societies, one after another."

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" I am sorry, I could not be in time. My train which was due to arrive at 6 a.m. arrived only at 8 a.m. I think, Sir, you would have received the telegram sent by me from Tiruchi railway station last night."

MR. SPEAKER :—" I have not received it."

Village industries training centres.

* 621 *Q*.—SRI M. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of village industries training centres in the State;

(*b*) the number of candidates trained at each centre in 1953; and

(*c*) whether all the trained candidates were given employment by the Government?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) There are 5 village industries training centres in this State.

" (*b*)—

Name of the Institution. (1)	Number of candidates trained. (2)
1 The Tamilnad Gramsevak Vidyalayam, T. Kallupatti	55
2 Production-cum training Centres.—	
Pottery—	
1 Tellicherry	5
2 Kumbla	2
Wood-work—	
1 Kumbla	3
Blacksmithy—	
1 Kumbla	3

" (*c*) No, Sir."

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" Is it a fact, Sir, that in certain centres, for example, the Training Centre in South Kanara, where training is given in bangles and beads-making—I am speaking from facts that I know—Government do not know even the addresses of trainees who received stipends and completed their training in that centre and the trainees when they go to the villages are not in a position to benefit from the technical training they had received in these centres for want of finance or other help and as such, most of the amount spent on the training centre has been a waste of Government money? "

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THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Sir, I have no information. But I shall examine that aspect of the question which is very important."

SRI S. DEIVASIGAMANY :—" Sir, may I know the total amount spent by Government on these centres and the net income derived by the Government from these centres? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" I have no statistics with me regarding the total expenditure incurred by the Government on these training centres."

SRI S. C. C. ANTHONY PILLAI :—" Sir, from the answer given by the Hon. Minister, it is clear that only about a score of pupils have been trained in these centres. Therefore, it is necessary to know whether the money was usefully spent and how much money was spent to train 20 pupils and the amount spent per pupil? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Yes Sir, if the hon. Member would put a separate question, I can give the information."

SRI S. RAMALINGAM :—" இந்த training centre-களில் என்னென்ன பொருள்கள் செய்யப்படுகின்றன என்பதை கனம் மந்திரி அவர்கள் சொல்லுவார்களா ? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Sir, I was at Kallupatti centre only yesterday evening. I saw paper-making, soap-making, palm gur-making. Training is given in these and other industries and trainees can usefully employ themselves after they complete the training."

SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR :—" From the figures furnished by the Hon. Minister it would appear that the training centres are few and the candidates fewer. In view of the fact that village industries are the only hope of the country for relieving unemployment, would the Government start more village industries training centres and also offer attractive stipends and settle the trainees in fairly good jobs after training, so that more and more people may come to these training centres? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Sir, it is not correct to say that the trainees are fewer than the number of training centres. But I shall certainly look into the suggestions made by the hon. Member."

Competitive examination for temporary clerks employed in the Civil Supplies.

* 622 *Q.*—SRI A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many of the candidates who have appeared for the competitive examination for ministerial service held for temporary clerks employed in the Civil Supplies, Textiles, etc., in June 1952, have been provided with appointments;